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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, National Security Agency

SUBJECT: Security Requirements for Persons to be
Assigned to the CIA and the DCI Staffs

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REFERENCE: Memo to DCI from D/NSA dated 9 April 1979,
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1. I am fully committed to strengthening the bonds of our security requirements whenever and wherever it is deemed necessary. Events of the recent past have served only to reinforce my views, and for this reason this Agency has embarked on a recertification of its employees on a five-year cycle. This recertification calls for reinvestigation and repolygraph, and it applies to all employees. I am asking, therefore, that all new assignees to the Central Intelligence Agency from the Intelligence Community meet the same standards as CIA employees.

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2. In the past, this Agency has accepted the certification from the National Security Agency as to the clearance and access of the assignee. This agreement was based on the mutuality of our security standards and was confined strictly to the National Security Agency. I have found cause to tighten CIA standards, and I firmly believe that new assignees to CIA facilities must meet the identical criteria.

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3. I wish to emphasize that these standards will apply to new assignees to this Agency and will not affect those currently in place. In an effort to alleviate any administrative or resource constraints that this course of action might present, this Agency offers to conduct the reinvestigation and repolygraph of the NSA assignees if you so choose.

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If not, we will accept your certification that a reinvestigation has been requested and we will not deny access to the assignee, provided that the repolygraph requirements have been satisfied.
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4. The standards for access as established in DCID No. 1/14 are, as you point out, minimum acceptable standards. This, however, does not preclude a member of the Intelligence Community from adopting stricter measures if it is considered necessary. It is my position that all individuals on assignment from their parent organizations will be required to meet Central Intelligence Agency security standards since they are placed in staff positions, or assigned to positions requiring stafflike access to Agency facilities. I can see no other acceptable course of action. (U)

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